

County of San Luis Obispo

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PS-#1157 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR FIVE BRIDGE PAINTING PROJECTS IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Updated December 14, 2011 December 13, 2011 December 12, 2011

1. Would you be able to provide a map of the five bridge locations?

Maps to the five bridge locations have been posted on the County's Purchasing web site here: http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/GSA/Purchasing/Current_Formal_Bids_and_Proposals.htm

2. Does the PES Form require one NES to cover all five bridge projects or does it require five individual NES documents? In addition, does the PES Form require one or multiple BA documents?

Caltrans recommended that separate NES/NES-MIs be prepared for each project unless they occur within the same watershed. It may be possible to include all sites in one BA.

3. In order to have a better understanding regarding the agency permits that may be required, can you provide some additional information regarding the scaffolding structures that may be used? For instance, will any discharge result from construction/placement of the scaffolding? Would the scaffolding structures be able to span the live channel for the perennial creeks?

Discharge is not anticipated as a result of scaffolding placement. The San Francisco office of the Army Corps stated in an e-mail that scaffolding for this type of temporary/short-term project is not considered "fill." Scaffolding structures may need to span the live channel of perennial creeks.

4. Did Caltrans specify which locations would require a NES and which would require a NES-MI?

The PES form for Tassajara states that a NES might be required depending on impacts to steelhead. The other sites have the "NES-MI" box checked but also say "subject to change" or "TBD."

5. Added 12/13/11: Can the PES forms for each site be made available?

PES forms for the five bridge locations have been posted on the County's Purchasing web site here: http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/GSA/Purchasing/Current_Formal_Bids_and_Proposals.htm

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6. Added 12/14/11: For purposes of the subject RFP; should we assume a separate watershed for each bridge?

That would be a safe assumption.

7. Added 12/14/11: Prior to preparation of a proposal, can we have access to the species lists obtained from USFWS?

Yes. Toro Creek Road was added at a later date and, therefore, no species list was requested/received for this site. Species lists for the others are posted on the County's Purchasing web site here: http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/GSA/Purchasing/Current_Formal_Bids_and_Proposals.htm

8. Added 12/14/11: Do you know which sites have year-round water?

This is a question has yet to be determined.

9. Added 12/14/11: Do you know if bats will be an issue at one or more of the sites?

Bats may be an issue at all of the sites as well as nesting birds.